

approval of the drawing correction is respectfully requested, it being noted that upon allowance of this application, the proposed drawing correction will be effected in accordance with present practice.

To the extent necessary, applicant's petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (500.37149X00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,



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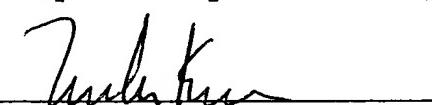
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It is proposed that the drawings in the above-identified application be amended in accordance with the attached red-lined print, and approval of these drawing corrections is respectfully requested at this time.

Upon receipt of the approval of the amendment to the drawings and receipt of the official Notice of Allowance, the drawing amendments will be effected in accordance with the new procedures set forth in 1017 OG 4, April 6, 1982.

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FIG. 24

